

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2428

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ARA/PAN FOR AMBASSADOR JORDEN ONLY

EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PN, PQ  
SUBJECT: CANAL ZONE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSALS TO DEAL WITH ANTI-US  
DEMONSTRATIONS

REF: PANAMA 4418

1. BY SEPARATE TELEGRAM I AM REPEATING TO YOU A BACK CHANNEL  
EYES-ONLY MESSAGE (PNA 597) WHICH GOVERNOR PARFITT SENT TO  
SECARMY ON THE SUBJECT OF ANTI-US DEMONSTRATIONS, HIS ASSESS-  
MENT OF OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE ATTITUDES IN PANAMA AND CANAL ZONE  
WITH REGARD TO THESE EVENTS AND HIS PROPOSALS FOR PREVENTING  
OR COUNTERING THEIR RECURRENCE. I INFORMED YOU OVER SECURE VOICE  
TELEPHONE ABOUT EARLIER MESSAGE GOVERNOR SENT SHORTLY AFTER  
JUNE 6 INCIDENTS. EARLIER MESSAGE IS REFERENCED IN PNA 597.

2. WHEN DRAFT WAS SHOWN ME WITH REQUEST FOR COORDINATION OR  
COMMENT, I SUGGESTED MESSAGE SIMPLY INDICATE COPY WAS PASSED  
TO EMBASSY AND THAT MATTER WOULD PROBABLY COME UP IN PRC. I  
EXPLAINED THAT WHILE MESSAGE WAS ESSENTIALLY CANAL ZONE ORIENTED,  
THERE WERE ACTIONS CONTEMPLATED WHICH WOULD HAVE SERIOUS IMPACT  
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ON US-PANAMANIAN RELATIONS AND WHICH WOULD REQUIRE FURTHER ANALYSIS.  
IN PARTICULAR, I CONSIDERED PROPOSAL USG THREATEN TO SUSPEND  
NEGOTIATIONS OF CANAL TREATY IN CASE INCIDENTS RECUR WAS  
RECOMMENDATIONS WITH WHICH I COULD NOT CONCUR.

3. GOVERNOR CALLED LATE THURSDAY TO READ ME REVISED FINAL  
PARAGRAPH OF PNA 597 IN WHICH HE SPELLS OUT MY RESERVATIONS

SOMEWHAT. GOVERNOR DOES NOT WISH GIVE IMPRESSION THAT THIS  
IS MATTER THAT PRC WILL CONSIDER IN FUTURE. RATHER HE IS  
LOOKING FOR DECISIONS ON HIS PROPOSALS FROM WASHINGTON. ABOVE  
BACKGROUND IS PROVIDED IN EVENT SECRETARY ALEXANDER APPROACHES  
YOU ON THIS MATTER.

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